

COTTON MARKET HAS FIRM TONE

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INFLUENCED THE
PRICES.

WEATHER BETTER THAN EXPECTED

Estimates For Today's Receipts at
Leading Ports Are Liberal But
Are Offset by Exports of
75,889 Bales Yesterday

New York, Sept. 21.—The cotton market opened firm at a gain of 6 to 10 points which was in full response to a better lot of cables than expected. The weather over the south was really better than looked for, but there was comparatively little cotton for sale except as smaller lots took profits and prices continued to work upward after the call was completed. There were two or three reactions during the session as a result of profit taking on the advance which amounted to very nearly a cent a pound from the low point of last week.

Exports aided the bulls in advancing prices and the high point was reached in the afternoon trading when September sold at 11 cents, October at 10.85, December 10.94, January 10.96 and March at 11.05 or 25 to 31 points not higher. Just before the close, profit taking and selling by bearishly disposed room traders caused a partial reaction and the market was finally nearly steady at a net gain of 17 to 20 points.

Sales were estimated at 600,000 bales. The estimates for tomorrow's receipts at the leading ports were liberal, but were fully offset by the large exports, which reached about 75,889 bales for the day, bringing the total for the season so far up to 340,515 bales, against only 113,370 bales of the same period last year.

A factor in the advance was the steadiness of the late cables from Liverpool and the firmness of the southern market.

Receipts of cotton at the ports today were 43,415 against 28,930 last week and 32,693 last year.

For the week 275,000 against 186,705 last week and 199,210 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 6,294 bales against 6,765 last year, and at Houston 11,478 against 12,650 last year.

New York Statement.

New York, Sept. 21.—Cotton quiet; exports, Great Britain 8,278.

Total today, net receipts 43,415; exports Great Britain 46,237; France 8,000; continent 13,598; stock 261,064.

Consolidated net receipts 197,814; exports Great Britain 66,062; France 21,240; continent 42,228.

Total since September 1, net receipts 536,845; exports Great Britain 202,451; France 29,967; continent 105,170; Japan 1,100; Mexico 1,000.

New Orleans.

New Orleans, Sept. 21.—Spot cotton was in active demand, principally for filling September engagements. Offerings were light. Sales 6,300 bales including 3,500 to arrive.

Quotations 3-16 higher.

Futures opened firm and 5 to 9 points up. A big scare was on among shorts, which threw the ring in an up-rush of bullish enthusiasm such as was seen at the beginning of last season's bull campaign. The country was a heavy buyer and the outside public in general appeared to have become convinced that prices of last year might be enacted again and that cotton was capable of being forced much higher. In the trading, October opened 7 points higher at 10.54, sold up to 10.73 and finally eased off to 10.65; September opened 9 points up at 10.69 and one of the leading bid operators bid for heavy blocks of this option, sending it up to 10.92, but later it eased off to 10.88. The market closed steady with net gains of 15 to 20 points.

New Orleans Futures.

New Orleans, Sept. 21.—Cotton futures steady; September 10.88; October 10.66; November 10.71; December 10.75; January 10.81; February 10.89; March 10.96; April 11.00.

New Orleans Spots.

New Orleans, Sept. 21.—Cotton firm sales 6,290; ordinary 8-14; good ordinary 9-16; low mid 10-16; mid 10-16; good mid 10-16; mid 11-16; sales 157.

New York Futures.

New York, September 21.—Cotton futures closed barely steady; September 10.88; October 10.87; November 10.92; December 10.97; January 10.98; February 10.99; March 11.00; April 11.01; May 11.05.

New York Spots.

New York, Sept. 21.—Cotton spot closed quiet, 20 points higher. Mid 10.85; mid 11.30; mid 11.16; sales 157.

592; October November 582; November December 579; December January 577; January February 575; February March 575; March, April, May, June 576.

FINANCIAL.

STOCK MARKET STRONGER.

Firmness Was Proof That Bears Had Been Too Quick in Selling.

New York, Sept. 21.—The recovery in the stock market today was general, as proof that the bears had been over-precipitate in selling yesterday, and felt obliged to buy stock to cover. The weather news from the west made it evident that the fears expressed yesterday of damage had not been realized, which saved the crop from serious damage. Yesterday's selling for western account was on an enormous scale, based on the prospects of frost damage. The warmer weather of today consequently drove a large short interest to cover. The early uncertainty of the market gave way to increased firmness and a general upward tendency.

The market closed rather easy and intensely dull.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, \$490,000.

United States 2s and the old 4s advanced 1-8 per cent on call.

New York Exchange.

New York, Sept. 21.—Close: Prime mercantile paper 4 1/2 per cent; sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 48.10/15 for demand and at 48.30/85 for sixty days; posted rates 48.1-2 1/2 for 60 days; 48.7-1-2, commercial bills 48.6-48.4; bar silver 57 1/4-1/2; Mexican dollars 45 1/2-1/2.

Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular.

London Exchange.

London, Sept. 21.—Consols for money 87-7/16, for account 88-1-2. Bar silver quiet at 26 7/16d. Money 11-1/2-1/2 per cent; short bills 2 1/16, three months 2 1/8.

Paris Exchange.

Paris, Sept. 21.—Three per cent rates 98 francs 17 1/2 centimes for account. Exchange on London 25 francs 25 1/2 centimes for checks.

New York Money.

New York, Sept. 21.—Money on call firm; highest 2 per cent, lowest 1 1/4 per cent, ruling rate and last loan 1 1/2 per cent, closing bid and offered 1 1/2 per cent. Time loans firm; sixty days 3 per cent, ninety days 3 1/4-1/2 per cent, six months 3 1/4-1/2 per cent.

LIVE STOCK.

Kansas City.

Kansas City, Sept. 21.—Cattle receipts 14,400, including 6,100 southern. Market for cornfed cattle 10@15c lower, others strong. Choice export and dressed beef steers \$5.00@6.10, fair to good \$3.75@5.00, western fed steers \$2.75@3.50, stockers and feeders \$2.25@4.00, southern steers \$2.50@3.75, southern cows \$1.50@3.85, native cows \$1.50@3.75, native heifers \$2.50@2.75, bulls \$1.75@3.50, calves \$2.50@5.50.

Hogs, receipts 6,000; market 10c lower; top \$6.00, bulk \$5.80@5.95; heavy \$5.80@5.95, packers \$5.80@6.00, pigs and lights \$5.70@5.95.

Sheep receipts 1,700; market steady; native lambs \$4.25@5.50, native ewes \$3.25@4.25, western lambs \$4.25@5.50, western yearlings \$3.25@3.50, western sheep \$2.50@4.00.

MARINE.

Port Eads.

Port Eads, Sept. 21.—Arrived: Steamers Hiram, Puerto Cortez; Asian, London.

Sailed: Steamers Rosina, Ceiba; Proteus, New York; bark Fortuna, Oporto.

New Orleans Sugar.

New Orleans, Sept. 21.—Sugar was strong; open kettle 3-14@3-14c, open kettle centrifugal 4-11@4-11c, centrifugal whites 4-7c, yellows 4-3@4-7c, seconds 2-8@4c.

Molasses nominal; open kettle 20@25c, centrifugal 10@15.

FEELING OF IRRITATION.

Russia Regards Great Britain's Course in Tibet as Unpleasant.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 22.—7:30 a. m. so feeling of irritation in Russia regarding Great Britain's course in Tibet is displayed in the Novoe Vremya's remarks regarding the statement made in the house of commons by Mr. Brodrick, the secretary of state for India, that "the best way of preserving peace is to be prepared for war, and England's army on the Indian frontier is now ready."

In the course of a long editorial article, the Novoe Vremya declares that a majority of Great Britain's international successes were won, not by fighting, but by bluff. This, the paper declares, was especially the case in 1870, when Great Britain succeeded in closing the Dardanelles via Berlin instead of via Constantinople.

The article concludes: "This sort of diplomatic intimidation cannot continue indefinitely. In reply to Brodrick's words we can quietly and confidently say we are ready, too."

Additions to Baltic Squadron.

Buenos Ayres, Sept. 21.—Senior Bel-lander, minister of marine of the Argentine republic, was interviewed by the Associated Press today regarding the report that four warships purchased from Argentina had been added to the Russian Baltic squadron at Leningrad. The minister authorized the statement that the report was without any foundation whatever.

GRAIN MARKET HAS WEAK TONE

FAVORABLE WEATHER THROUGH-
OUT THE WEST AFFECTS
PRICE OF WHEAT.

REPORTS OF DAMAGE BY FROST

Weakness of Other Grain Had a De-
pressing Effect on Oats—Report
of French Crop Showed a
Decrease.

Chicago, Sept. 21.—The grain markets were weak today as a result of favorable weather throughout the west. December wheat closed 1-2c lower, and May was off 3-4@7-8c; corn is 1c below yesterday's closing prices, oats down 1-2c, and provisions 5@17 1-2c lower.

Easy cables, with weather favorable for the maturing of the corn crop had a weakening effect on wheat at the opening. The selling was quite general. December opened 5-8c lower and May 1 1/2@1 5-8c lower.

Sentiment temporarily turned bullish later in the day, under the influence of a cablegram from Paris giving private estimates on the French crops, showing a decrease of 61,700 bushels. On the bulge December sold up to \$1.10, and May to \$1.11 3-4. Later, however, the gain was lost.

Profit-taking again forcing prices almost to the lowest. The market closed weak with December at \$1.09 and May at \$1.10.

Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 678 cars, against 469 last week, and 715 a year ago.

Reports of small damage to the crop by frost and liberal primary receipts caused weakness in corn. Liquidation was quite general throughout the day, and the buying was mainly by shorts. The market closed weak and near the lowest. December opened 1-2c lower, sold between 50 1-4c and 51c, and closed at 50 1-4@50 3-8c. Receipts 92 cars.

Liquidation, due to increased hog receipts and the break in grain, caused weakness in provisions. Trading was fairly active, with an increased outside business. January pork closed down 17 1-2c at \$13.10, and ribs 7 1-2c lower at \$6.80@6.82 1-2.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat 164 cars, corn 385 cars, oats 185 cars, hogs, 23,000 head.

Friars Repudiate Agreement.

Manila, Sept. 21.—The Augustinian friars have repudiated the agreement made in Rome between the late Pope Leo, the late Archbishop Guidi, apostolic delegate in the Philippine islands and former Governor Taft, that the money paid by the United States in the purchase of the friars' lands should remain in the islands, and have requested that the payments to them be made in drafts on London.

It is said at the war department that the department is not a party to any controversy respecting the methods of paying for the friars' lands in the Philippines, and the issue presented as to the place of payment, whether in Manila or in Europe, lies between the authorities of the vatican and the friars' orders.

TRYING THE LYNCHERS.

Venire Was Generally Opposed to Con-
viction for Such Cause.

Memphis, Sept. 21.—A special to the Commercial Appeal from Huntsville, Alabama, says:

Huntsville, Alabama, Sept. 21.—The trial of Thomas M. Riggs, one of the alleged lynchers of Horace Maples, has begun in the circuit court. Sixty men, composing the special venire and regular jurors of the week, were examined before a jury of twelve was completed. Each man was questioned closely and was asked if he would convict a man for murder who was a member of a mob that committed murder.

A majority answered in the negative, and were disqualified, or were set aside because they acknowledged having made up their minds in the case.

Race War Didn't Work.

Hawkinsville, Ga., Sept. 21.—The expected race war at Pitts, twenty-seven miles south of here, failed to materialize, and reports received from there today indicate that the town is quiet and that all signs of trouble between the whites and negroes have vanished.

The cause of the sudden change of the trouble is uncertain, but it is ascribed that the thorough preparations of the whites to protect themselves alone prevented serious trouble.

Japs Thurst a Wedge in.

London, Sept. 22.—During the sena-
city of news from Mukden attention
is again centered to Port Arthur.

According to the Morning Post's Japanese informants two of Kuro-patkin's forts the Japanese are said to have occupied in the vicinity of Shushiyang are Nantai and Chang-kiaung, and their value to the besiegers, consists in the former being close to the Antonian forts, and the latter to the Dragon Hill forts, the object of the Japanese being to thrust a powerful wedge in the gap between the eastern and western fortifications, through which the railroad passes to Port Arthur from the north.

Golfers Meet Today.

St. Louis, Sept. 21.—Three of the
eight golfers who will meet tomorrow
in the third round of the Olympic golf
championship held from St. Louis.

Chicago is represented by the number of three, who have survived the strenuous thirty-six hole competition, while Canada and Seattle claim the remaining contestants.

Correct Clothes for Men

Do you dress well, and not too
well?
—Lord Chesterfield to his son.

You will always
dress well if you
wear the clothes
bearing this label

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MAKERS * NEW YORK

Equal to fine custom-made
in all but price. The makers
guarantee, and ours, with
every garment. We are
Exclusive Agents in this city.

ROOS BROS.
Pearl Street

Japanese Gunboats Moved.

London, Sept. 22.—The co-respon-
dent at Tien Tsin of the Daily Tele-
graph says that Japanese gunboats
have left Yinkow preliminary to a ne-
gative, and it is expected final attack
on Port Arthur.

The Daily Telegraph's Che Foo
correspondent says that Japanese offi-
cial circles had thought that the fall
of Port Arthur would be coincident
with the mikado's birthday (November
3), but that they admit it has been
postponed until spring.

It is significant, the correspondent
adds, that winter quarters are being
prepared at Dainy.

THE LOCAL MARKET

Grain and Hay.

Quotations for carload lots delivered
on tracks Beaumont or other points
taking same rates. Dealers charge
from store 5@10c per 10 pounds more
on bran, 3@8c per bushel on oats and
corn, 10@15c per 100 on hay.

Oats—Texas, 50@55c; No. 2 mixed,
19c; white, 51@53c.

Bran—Per 100 pounds \$1.30@1.40.
Corn chops, pure \$1.30@1.40.
Oats—Texas 43@45c.

Corn—7074c.

Hay—Choice alfalfa, \$15.00; choice
timothy, \$17.00; South Texas prairie,
\$7.50@8.50; Johnson grass, \$9.50@
10.00.

Feed products very stiff, with ad-
vancing tendency.

Market barely steady, with a declin-
ing tendency.

Hides and Wool.

Dry flint butchers, 16 pounds and
up, 13c.

Dry flint hides, under 16 pounds, 10
1-2c.

Dry salt hides, over 16 pounds, 10c;
under 16 pounds, 9c.

W. S. hides, 6-12@7c.

Sheep pelts, 15 to 40c.

Goat skins, 10 to 15c.

Horse hair 15 to 18c.

Wool, free spring, 12 1-2 to 16c.

Wool, free fall, 10c.

Wool, hard burry, 8c.

Butter and Cheese.

Butter—Blue Star, 25c; dairy
butter 18a20; Elgin, 26a27; Borden's
Fancy Creamery, 28; Meadow Gold, 30c;
Fancy renovated creamery, 23a24.

Allison's Pure pasteurized cream
butter, single pound 35c; 2 pounds
for 65c.

Cheese—Full cream flats, 14c; daisies
14c; prints, 15c; full cream Longhorns,
15c.

Flour and Breadstuffs.

Flour—Basis 48 lb. sacks. Fancy
high patent \$5.50; fancy half patent
\$5.20; third grade \$4.50; 24 lb. sacks
10 per barrel higher; flour in wood, 30
per barrel higher; lots 10c less.

Farinaceous Goods.—Grits, hampy
and cream meal, in 40 lb. sacks, per
sack, 75c; meal in 35-lb. sacks,
\$1.95 per barrel of four sacks; Scotch
oats \$2.95@3.00; Friends' oats \$2.95a
3.00; Columbia oats, \$2.85; Hawkeye
oats, 2.85; Hecker's buckwheat, 14-lb
packages, \$4.80.

Crackers—A B C soda bulk, boxes,
7-14 cartons, net dozen 100; ginger
snaps, 7c; cream, 8c; stage planks, 6c
cakes and jumbles, 11c.

Canned Goods.

California Extra Standard (24-lb
tins)—Black cherries, \$2.25; white
cherries, \$2.25; Y. C. peaches, \$1.75;
L. C. peaches, \$1.85; apricots, \$1.60;
Barlett pears \$1.85; grapes, \$1.50;
standard, 10 per dozen less.

Eastern Canned Goods and Vegeta-
bles—No. 3 apples, 85c; sliced pineap-
ples, \$1.10; E. and C. pineapples, \$1.60;
ex graded pineapples, \$1.75; pineapple
chunks, 1-lb cans, \$1.25; pineapple
chunks, 14-lb cans, \$1.60; Singapore
ex-graded pineapples, \$1.85; 2-lb pears,
75c; 2-lb strawberry tea, 90c; 2-lb black-
berries, 85c; 2-lb peaches, none; 2-lb
full-weight tomatoes, 75a80c; 3-lb full-
weight tomatoes, 1.00; 2-lb light-weight
tomatoes, 80c; 2-lb light-weight, 85c;
3-lb kraut 1.25; 2-lb light-weight ex sifted
June peas, 1.00; 2-lb standard Marrow-
fat peas, 1.00; 2-lb light-weight Mar-
row-fat peas, 90c; 3-lb pumpkin, 55c; 2-lb
B & B Ridge corn, 1.25; 2-lb A1
corn, 1.25a1.35; 3-lb Cupid hulled corn,
90c.

Drugs and Chemicals.

Quinine, 50c; 50c per ounce bottle
morphine, 2.50a2.75 per ounce; cocaine
4.25 per oz; borax 4-lb per pound in
100-lb packages; copperas 2.50 in bar-
rels; castor oil, 1.20 per gallon; 15-lb
packages; cream salts, 2.25 per
100 lbs, in barrels; alcohol, 2.70a3.00
per gallon; sulphur, 3.25 per 100 lbs, in
barrels; alum 25c per lb, in barrels;
calcium carbide, 4.00 per 100 lbs; salt-
water, 7c; 10c; 12c.

Canned Molasses.
Georgia Cane, gallons, 3.10, half
gallons, 3.00, quarts 3.75; Cero de
Batteria, gallons, 3.10, half gal. 3.50
quarts 3.75; Kaimomel Syrup, 10 lbs,
2.00, 5 lb, 2.20, 2 lb, 1.90.

Dried Fruits and Nuts.
16 oz. cleaned currents, 36 in case,
per lb, 8c; 12 oz cleaned currents, 48 in
case, per lb, 7c; 3 Crown Smyrna Im-
ported figs, 10-lb boxes, per pound,
12c; 6 Crown Smyrna Imported figs, 10
lb. boxes, per lb, 15c; 2 Crown Califor-
nia figs, 1-lb bricks, 10 lb boxes, per
box, 1.15; 3 Crown California figs, 1-lb
cartons, 10-lb boxes, per lb, 1.25; 12 oz
packages seeded raisins, 45 in case,
per pkg, 9c; 10 oz packages seeded
raisins, 36 in case, per package, 8c;
2 Crown L. L. raisins, 20 lb boxes, per
box, 2.00; 3 Crown L. L. Raisins, 20-lb
boxes, per box, 2.15; 2 Crown L. L.
raisins, 5-lb boxes, per box, 70c; Amor
Corsican citron, 10-lb boxes, per lb,
16c; Amer. orange peel, 10 lb boxes, per
lb, 14c; Amer. lemon peel, 20 lb boxes,
per lb, 14c; No. 1 California almonds,
soft shell, sacks containing about 80
pounds, per lb, 10c less quantities, per
lb, 17c.

Pecans—8a12 per lb.

Miscellaneous.
Rope—Sisal, 7-16 basis 9c, Manila
cotton, XXX, 14-3-4.

Salt—Rock, 9.00 per ton; Louisiana
coarse, 85c; Texas and Kansas, per bbl,
60-55, \$2.60; 100-35, \$2.75; 140-2, \$2.85.

Pickles—Pints, 95c; quarts, \$1.65; 4
gallon, \$3.25; 1-gallon, \$4; 5-gallon
kegs, \$2; 10-gallon kegs, \$3.50; Cross
and Blackwell's pints, \$3.65.

Candy—Stick, wrapped, standard
6a7c; fancy mixed, in pails, 6a9c;
fancy in cases, 11a18c; rock 11a12c.

Starch—Pearl, 40-lb boxes, 4c; gloss
bulk, 4c; Nickel, \$3.00; 1 to 3 pound
packages, 5a5c.

Molasses—Centrifugal, fair, 23c;
prime, 20a28c; choice 23a30c.

Corn Syrup—30a31c.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas and New Orleans R. R. Co.

East Bound.

No. 6 Local Arrives..... 7:00 p. m.
No. 6 Local Leaves..... 6 a. m.
No. 10 Sunset Limited Arrives 9 a. m.
Leaves 9:05 a. m.

No. 4. Oriole to Echo Arrives 12:15
p. m. Leaves 12:35 p. m.

No. 8 Texas Express Arrives 9:57 p. m.
Leaves 10:05 p. m.

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